

Evening Telegraph

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SPIRIT OF THE NEW YORK PRESS.

GENERAL McCLELLAN'S LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE.

From the Times.

The response of the Chicago nominee has been awaited with a good deal of interest. The nine days' grace he had taken had shown the extreme unpopularity of the platform on which he was nominated. Would he repudiate the platform and yet keep the nomination? Such an inconsistency would disgust everybody. Would he renounce the nomination? Nobody who knew what he had been so long in training for believed that. Would he accept the platform "squarely"? It would ruin him. How then was he to manage? Naturally the people were curious.

Well, we see at last General McClellan practices his favorite strategy—with bold front he fights shy. He makes a loud fanfare about his devotion to the Union, and all that; but does not put himself at all to the practical matter in hand. The prime point of the platform—those which give it its distinctive character—were these:—"The failure to restore the Union by the experiment of war," and a "demand that immediate efforts be made for a cessation of hostilities." The idea was as clearly put as it was comprehensive, and so was the practical sequence. A thorough manhood would have met both with decided opposition or with a "no." They points upon which the people have a right to know precisely what the nominee thinks and is prepared to do. This letter gives them no such knowledge.

Whether he considers the "experiment of war" a failure or not, it is impossible to determine. He gives an opinion that the war should have been carried on in a different way; but upon the point whether as conducted under the Lieutenant-General of Grant, it was or not a failure, he gives no opinion. As far as that goes, the sense that the practical question is, not what some other kind of war would have done, but what kind of war now actually existing has done and will do. Lieutenant-General Grant, in his letter which we published yesterday, has given an answer to this question. He says:—

He says:—"All we want now to insure an early restoration of the Union is a determined effort of sentiment North and South." That is to say, the Chicago Convention, in the direction mentioned, that the Union can be restored in any such way. General McClellan neither affirms nor denies it. His study is simply how not to say it—as it used to be how not to do it.

Upon the other point of the Chicago Platform, there should be an immediate effort for the cessation of hostilities. General McClellan's sole reply is:

"So soon as it is clear, or even probable, that our present advantages are ready for peace, upon the basis of the Union, we must exhaust all the resources of statesmanship, practice, and negotiation, and taught by the traditions of the American people, consistent with the honor and interests of the country, to secure such peace, re-establish the Union, and guarantee for the future the Constitutional rights of every State."

The platform says "immediate," which is explicit. The nominee says "so soon as it is clear or probable," which is saying just nothing at all. The practical question is, whether this is the case. Does not General McClellan believe that the time has come when the Union is safe enough to call for immediate efforts for the restoration of hostilities? It is a plain question. Instead of boldly meeting it, he dodges under an unmeaning generality.

The English-speaking cleavers to say about "a spirit of conciliation and compromise" as being necessary "to restore and preserve the Union," and this is nicely balanced in another part of the letter by a little outraging concerning "the responsibility of anterior consequences," in case all our great efforts should fail. As an effort to mount a peace platform with Quaker guns, it is ridiculous.

The aim throughout is to give no offense to any portion of his party; but what is worse yet, to give no offense to the Rebels either. We are earnestly requested to meet at the Hall of the National Union Association, MARKET Street, above Thirty-third Street, on Saturday evening, at 7 o'clock, to march to the City Hall, and hold a meeting to be held in dependence on the result of the election of Andrew Johnson and Liberty.

By order of the War Department.

A. H. FRANCIS, President.

W. R. Lupton, Secretary.

TENTH WARD.—THE LOYAL CITIZENS OF THE TENT Ward will hold their

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AT BROAD AND ARCH Streets,

to march to the City Hall, and hold a meeting to be held in dependence on the result of the election of Andrew Johnson and Liberty.

By order of the War Department.

JOHN G. BUTLER,

Chairman of the Committee on Town Meetings.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.—THE LOYAL CITIZENS OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH Ward, are earnestly requested to meet at the Hall of the National Union Association, MARKET Street, above Thirty-third Street, on Saturday evening, at 7 o'clock, to march to the City Hall, and hold a meeting to be held in dependence on the result of the election of Andrew Johnson and Liberty.

By order of the War Department.

THOMAS S. ELLIS,

Marshal.

CREDITS FOR NAVAL RECRUTS,

—Offices of the City Auditorium, No. 42 PRUNE Street, September 9, 1864.—The Board of Commissioners of the different Warships are requested to send their bills for Naval Recruits to this office, for presentation for credits on Naval Enlistments prior to February 1, 1865. Immediate attention to this is desirable.

ROBERT M. MOORE, Secretary.

DEAFNESS, NOISES IN THE HEAD,

THROAT DISEASES, CATARRH.

Those who suffer from these maladies have now the very best opportunity for finding relief. The apparatus recommended by Dr. J. C. Brown, is the most perfectly effective agent ever used for reacting the seat of the disease to which it is directed, and eradicates it with certainty.

"Little Mac," and him they style "Unconditional Surrender"—the one calculating, whirling, mousing, and the other, who is a real fool, who is a little way, full of consequence, and is never going to hide in his own little shadow; all ambition and no courage, all desire, and no decision; the other moved by a will that knows no wavering, of absolute intent of purpose, above all fear, the terror of the terrors of his master passion, trampling upon every half of party, doing the soldier's work he was set to do, a true man every inch of him.

We tell this because of the Copperheads that his avocation cannot possibly deserve the people. He is fatally mistaken if he imagines that the Presidency can be compassed by such little tricks at a time like this. There never was a situation less adapted than this for his sort of character, and his style of action. The country needs positive, and who are dominated by positive principles, for it is positive ruin that threatens it.

SURNAMES IN ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND.

An official document just published in Scotland has the following:—

"It would have been very interesting, in comparing some of the common surnames of England and Scotland, to ascertain the origin of each name, and to find out what the families of each country whose names are derived from the same occupation, similitude, or quality, perfectly distinct. Thus, the common surname Baker in England is almost completely represented by the name Baxter in Scotland, and the latter may be considered as of English origin.

The English surname Fox is quite superseded by the Scottish form Tod, which is a very common name, having the same meaning. The English surname of Crow, however, is derived from the common surname of Stot, which has the same meaning. The English surname Dove takes the form of Crow. The English surname Dove receives its character from the bird, and even one of the commonest and very common surnames receives its character from the bird in the two countries, seeing Robinsons in England become converted into Robertson in Scotland.

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